

BRYAN HAS LONG
TALK WITH WILSONCabinet Portfolios, Policies
and Legislation Dis-
cussed.

NO PLACE OFFERED

Nebraskan's Position With
New Administration
Not Touched Upon.

NOBODY CHOSEN YET

President-elect Says the Confer-
ence Has Led to No
Conclusions.

Lincoln, Dec. 21.—William Jennings Bryan conferred for three hours and a half this morning with Gov. Wilson without making any mention of the cabinet portfolios which the President-elect has at his disposal. Their political talk was all of other candidates for Mr. Wilson's official family and of legislation to be undertaken in carrying out the platform of the Baltimore convention.

Not even it disclosed whether or not the omission of the Nebraskan's name resulted from a mutual understanding of what the position of Mr. Bryan is to be during the next four years. The Governor merely reiterated his assertion that he is not now making any decisions and Mr. Bryan parried the question by referring his inquiries to the President-elect.

All the possibilities of the situation as far as Mr. Bryan is concerned are as much up in the air as they were before the conference began, and the President-elect continues silently to his purpose of getting at the sentiment of his party leaders before he makes any announcement of his plans.

The President-elect motored over from Princeton earlier than usual for the meeting. Immediately upon his arrival at the State House he sent an automobile to the railroad station and at 9:30 o'clock the two men were shaking hands. They went at once to the Governor's chamber, the door of which remained open throughout their interview. It was interrupted but once, and that was when Mr. Wilson came out to talk over the telephone with National Chairman McCormick in New York.

It was 1 o'clock when the Governor appeared in the afternoon and exclaimed, "Great Scott!" as he surveyed the gathering of reporters and photographers. He launched at once upon his outline of a very delicate conference.

"We had a very delightful conference," he said. "We talked things over but did not come to any conclusion. We talked about the policies of the party, the carrying out of the platform, and we talked about the various cabinet places."

"What names?" was asked.
"No, just names and there,"
"Did you discuss names?"
"Yes, in a general way, we discussed different names."

"Were any of these names suggested to Mr. Bryan?"

"Well, now, I don't remember whether he suggested them or whether I did."

"Were any new names suggested?"

"No, no new names."

"Governor," said one of his inquirers, "everybody is most interested in knowing whether or not Mr. Bryan's name was discussed."

"It was not," replied the Governor, and then he added: "You gentlemen must take me at my word when I say that I am making no decisions, and you must honor me by not asking questions that will put that in doubt."

He declared that the coming special session of Congress had been taken for granted by both of them and that no mention was made of it. As to proposed legislation he said they talked matters over in a general way and that particular methods of procedure were not considered. He said no arrangements had been made for a future conference with Mr. Bryan.

When Mr. Bryan appeared in his fur-lined coat and still smiling smile he looked around in a surprised sort of way and then inquired what it was all about. He was informed speedily, and then with his blindest air said that he thought a report of the conference ought to come from the Governor, adding that this was particularly so with respect to their discussion of the Cabinet.

"The Governor said that your name did not come up for discussion," some one remarked as Mr. Bryan drew himself up and inquired what the next question was to be.

"Well," he answered, "you of course do not question the Governor's veracity."

"Will it be discussed later?"
"Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof," was his answer.

"What is your position about accepting a Cabinet appointment?"
"That is a hypothetical question," he parried, and waited for the next.

"Col. Watterston," said some one, after a pause, "has suggested you for the Court of St. James."

"Mr. Watterston and I," replied Mr. Bryan, "have not conferred about the matter."

"Did you discuss the matter with Gov. Wilson?"
"Did Gov. Wilson say we did?" he shot back.

"Do you expect to live in Nebraska after March 4?"

"That will be my home," he answered, "but I may invade other domains. In other words," he added, "I do not intend to answer indirectly any question that I will not answer directly."

Mr. Bryan said he would return to Miami, Fla., and would remain there on his plantation until March. He will attend the inauguration at Washington, he said, if the weather is fine. He and the Governor then ran the gamut of the photographers, who snapped them first on the State House steps and then every three seconds after that until the final click of their cameras outside the Hotel Sterling, where Mr. Bryan and the Governor and the Governor's secretary, Joseph P. Tumulty, had luncheon together. Mr. Bryan then went back to the State House with Gov. Wilson and shortly afterward boarded his train for New York.

His interview with Mr. Bryan over the Governor returned to matters affecting New Jersey. He held a long consultation with National Committee man Robert S. Hudson of Jersey City and State Chairman Edward E. Groscup, who is a candidate for State Treasurer. He must be elected by the Legislature and another passage of arms between Gov. Wilson and the forces opposed to him is expected to result from the contest. His chief opponent is State Comptroller Edward I. Edwards of Jersey City.

Later the Governor received Senator Ashurst of Arizona, who came to pay his respects. Then he left for Princeton, where he will rest to-morrow. He has filled his calendar of engagements

right up to Christmas Eve.

Just before going to Princeton to spend Sunday with his family, Gov. Wilson made a declaration of his attitude toward office seekers that might be construed as a tip. He was replying to the question, "Have you formulated any policy as to how you will dispose of Federal patronage in the various States?" and he answered:

"No, I have not, except that I have made the general policy that those who apply for appointment will be least likely to be considered."

He repeated the positive statement that he had reached no conclusion as to the appointment of any one in his Cabinet and then he said:

"I received one very curious letter to-day. It was from a man who said he was not applying for a job but would like to have me put him, the best way to go about getting one."

"Another interesting letter was from an eight-year-old boy whose birthday is December 28, the same as mine. He invited me to attend his birthday party, but I had to decline. It's unfortunate to have a birthday party in holiday time, too, for you don't celebrate and your presents usually go double because it's so near Christmas."

Gov. Wilson has received three live turkeys and a thirteen pound Mississippi ham for Christmas.

"And I have declined a cow," he added, "I never accept presents of value."

WILSON INAUGURAL CHAIRMAN

William Corcoran Eustis Accepts
Honorary Post.

William Corcoran Eustis of Washington, D. C., will be chairman of the Wilson inauguration committee. National Chairman William F. McCormick made the announcement yesterday morning. Early in the afternoon he received a telegram from Mr. Eustis telling him that he accepted the designation and appreciated highly that it was offered to him.

The chairmanship of the inauguration committee is one of the prizes of a new administration. It is a purely honorary office, but it carries with it a great deal of patronage and is of social significance. It is customary for the President to lead the grand march at the inaugural ball with the wife of the chairman.

Mr. Eustis is grandson of the late William Corcoran, donor of the Corcoran Art Gallery at Washington.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The news of the appointment of William Corcoran Eustis as chairman of the Wilson inauguration committee was received in Washington with expressions of surprise mingled with disappointment in some quarters.

The fact that Mr. Eustis was not endorsed by any of the factions of the District Democracy has caused much chagrin. Some of the local bankers have been in disagreement over the choice of the head of the inaugural committee.

One element of the financial district had supported Edwidge E. Jordan, president of the U. S. Trust Company, a young man who served as a Rough Rider in the Spanish-American war and who has climbed within a few years from a modest real estate office on G street to the head of a big trust company. Mr. Jordan showed no disappointment to-day when he learned that the chairmanship had gone to another. He expressed his appreciation of Mr. Eustis's qualities and said he would give him local support. But some of the local Democrats appeared disgruntled, especially over the fact that the appointment had been announced by Chairman McCormick himself.

The District Democratic leaders desired to demonstrate through announcing this appointment that they were the

folks who would have the say on Federal patronage in the District of Columbia.

The general disappointment in political quarters was accentuated somewhat by the announcement at the same time from New York that William Vick had been selected by Chairman McCormick as secretary of the inaugural committee, a post that usually has gone to some resident of the District of Columbia. Mr. Vick resides in New York.

HEARS "COMMONER" IS SOLD.

Bryan Says It's News to Him—
Sees Norman E. Mack.

William Jennings Bryan came to town yesterday afternoon two hours before the dinner to Governor-elect William Sulzer. He walked up to the desk at the Waldorf at just 5 o'clock and asked for a room. The clerk assigned him to room 1066, so somebody asked Mr. Bryan if he was William the Conqueror. On that point Mr. Bryan was evasive, but he was apparently in very good humor.

Norman E. Mack and Perry Belmont greeted Mr. Bryan and Mr. Mack went to his room with him. On the way Mr. Bryan shook hands with several women just leaving the "Colonial breakfast" upstairs, at which Mrs. Wilson and her daughters were guests.

He was asked to say something about the results of his conference with Gov. Wilson at Trenton.

"I think it is understood," he said, "that any one who sees the President leaves it to him to make any reports concerning what was said. I suppose the same applies to the President-elect."

When Mr. Bryan heard that a report was current here that his paper, the *Commoner*, was soon to pass into other hands, he said, "That's news to me."

He was told of Charles E. Murphy's determination not to go to the Sulzer dinner and that the cause of his absence was Mr. Bryan himself, but he made no comment. Mr. Bryan left for Washington at midnight.

NEW YORK GIRL WEDS ABROAD.

Miss Margaret Eleanor Crosby Bride
of Lieut. Vanneck.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
LONDON, Dec. 21.—Margaret Eleanor Crosby, only daughter of the late Ernest Howard Crosby, the former New York lawyer, was married at St. George's, Hanover Square, to-day to Lieut. William C. A. Vanneck of the Thirteenth Hussars, who is the nephew and heir presumptive of the aged Baron Huntingfield.

The romance of the bride and bridegroom started in India, where the bridegroom was stationed with his regiment and the bride was on a tour.

The wedding was essentially a family affair owing to the recent death of the bridegroom's father. Among those present were the bride's mother and her grandmother, Mrs. Schieffelin, who reside in London. The bride wore the veil used by Mrs. Schieffelin at her wedding and it reached from her head to the tip of her court train. Others present were Lord Huntingfield, the mother of the bridegroom, and a few relatives. J. B. Ludlow of the New York bar and J. A. Barratt represented the respective interests of the bride and bridegroom.

After the ceremony there was a wedding breakfast at Mrs. Schieffelin's house in Clarges street, Piccadilly. The couple will make their home in India. The bride's mother, who came from New York especially for the wedding, was unable to be present owing to an attack of tonsillitis.

"LA FEMME SEULE" PRODUCED.

Paris Gets a Stage Lesson in Anti-Alcoholism.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
PARIS, Dec. 21.—Brioux's "La Femme Seule" was produced at the Gymnase this week.

In this play the heroine loses a love marriage because her dowry was embezzled. Then she loses her job on a women's newspaper because the attention of the editors forced her to leave. She is forced to leave a bookbindery where she formed a union of the workwomen owing to the hostility of the men workmen and is driven to return to the lover whom she has sworn never to marry.

It is an interesting play which preaches anti-alcoholism among other lessons, but is no addition to the Christmas gaiety.



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PARLIAMENT ADJOURNS
FOR TEN DAY VACATION

The Unionist Party, Seemingly
United, Splits Badly on
Tariff Reform.

QUESTION OF FOOD DUTIES

Bonar Law Shifts Responsibility
to Shoulders of Colonies,
Causing Dissension.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
LONDON, Dec. 21.—Parliament, after
an extraordinary and strenuous session,
has adjourned for a short vacation of
ten days.

During the session the Opposition had
several successes and fared well at
the elections. Once they put the
Government into a minority in the voting
on a clause of the Home Rule bill
and on two other occasions recently
when the Ministry was very keenly
checked by their majority. To fifty on
the issue of the other principal measure
before the House—the disestablishment
and disendowment of the Church in
Wales, the solid Nationalist Catholic
vote alone saving the Government from
defeat. In the same bill the Opposition,
aided by recalcitrant Liberal churchmen,
men forced the Government to accept
two amendments in the face of the
openly and violently expressed anger of
the Welsh members.

A few weeks ago indeed the Unionist
party seemed to be united and hopeful
of things going well, but it cannot be
disguised that they have risen for the
vacation badly divided and uncertain.
Their unity was only in composition. So
long as the family skeleton of tariff
reform was securely locked up in the cupboard
apparent peace reigned, but at the
first rattle of its bones the family row
began again. The party is now no more
united on what is supposed to be its
main policy than when Joseph Chamberlain
first launched it. Where Balfour
failed and went it is not surprising that
a smaller man, Bonar Law, has not
succeeded.

The reopening of the dissensions
started when Lord Lansdowne, the
opposition leader in the Lords, threw
over Mr. Balfour's palliative nostrum
of the referendum that is a pledge of
the Unionists to submit their tariff
policy to the country by a referendum
before proceeding with it. The extreme
protectionists had declared that they
could win the Bolton by-election on tariff
reform, pure and simple, but they
failed and the party saw that the policy
must somehow be modified.

Bonar Law produced the next scheme
in a speech at Ashton-under-Lyne and
this seemed to satisfy nobody, besides
setting the whole party by the ears.
"We do not propose to pose food duties,"
said he, in effect, "but to call a
conference of the colonies and if they
demand food taxation as necessary to
imperial salvation we shall accept it."

The Unionist press is divided on this
question. "The idea of getting rid of
the difficulty of food taxes by shifting
the onus of its unpopularity on the
colonies cannot be seriously upheld,"
says the *Daily Graphic*. "The colonies
will never make such a demand,"
says the *Spectator*, which adds the
statement that "at least 70 per cent.
of the Unionists in Parliament would like
to see the food taxes dropped altogether."

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GEN. PEREZ CASTRO IN HAVANA.

On His Way to Europe to Raise a
Loan for Mexican Revolution.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
HAVANA, Dec. 21.—Gen. Perez Castro,
the right-hand man of Gen. Orozco, the
Mexican revolutionary leader, passed
through here to-day on the Spanish
steamer Reina Maria Cristina. He says
he is going to Europe and thence to
Cuba, where he will raise a loan
for the revolution. Gen. Castro cabled
\$200,000 from here to Germany for the
purchase of arms and ammunition.

Gen. Wos y Gil, ex-President of Santo
Domingo, who has resided in Santiago
de Cuba for years, is preparing to re-
turn to Santo Domingo. It is believed
here that he hopes to become President
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